Night Train from Bareilly to New Delhi

5478. SHRI RAJVEER SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the government propose to introduce night express train from Bareilly to New Delhi via Moradabad: and

(b) if so, when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Due to operational constraints and lack of resources.

[*English*]

Extension of Vaigai Express from Madras to Madurai

5479. SHRI N. DENNIS: Will the minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have any proposal to extend the Vaigai Express from Madras to Madurai and Tirunelveli; and

(b) if so, the detail thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Level Crossing at **Palliady**

5480. SHRI N. DENNIS: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any demand to provide manned railway crossing at Palliady on the Trivandrum Kanyakumari line; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS(SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Request for provision of a new level crossing at Km.263/8-9 near Palliyady Railway station had been received by Southern Railway during Feb'88 from the Chairman, Panchayat Union, Thuckalay. He has been advised that the request can be entertained only after a firm proposal for the desired facility is sponsored by the State Government/Panchayat Union duly consenting to bear the initial costs and recurring maintenance charges.

[*Translation*]

Corruption in Moradabad Division

5481. DR. S.P. YADAV: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) Whether irregularities/malpractices in the matter of allotment of houses, promotions, transfers etc. of the Railway employees of Moradabad Division, Northern Railway have been brought to the notice of the Government; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken or proposed to be taken in each case ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

[*English*]

Drive against Ticketless Travel

5482. SHRI PRATAPRAO B. BHONSLE: Will the Minister RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the amount collected from passengers travelling without tickets during the drives conducted in 1988,1989, 1990 and upto June 1991, year-wise; and

(b) the steps proposed to be taken to check ticketless travel in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) The amount realised as railway dues from persons detected travelling without ticket or with improper ticket was as under:

Year	*Amount realised (Rs.in crore)*
1988	19.00
1989	21.96
1990	24.84
1991 (upto June)	3.22

(b) The measures taken to curb ticketless travel include surprise/magisterial checks from time to time, publicity campaigns through different media and deterrent penalties incorporated in the new Railways Act.

Squad of Flight Inspectors In Air India/ Indian Airlines

5483. SHRI PRATAPRAO B. BHONSLE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to constitute a special squad of flight inspectors to maintain close check on the flying proficiency of the pilots of the Air India and the Indian Airlines;

(b) if so, the details of this proposal with background thereof;

(c) the details of honorarium and facilities to be provided to the members of this squad;

(d) the criteria fixed for their selection;

(e) whether this selection will be from amongst working staff; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) (a) yes, Sir.

(b) The Government has established a Flight Inspection Directorate in the DGCA with 9 Flight Inspectors. These Flight Inspectors will carry out skill and proficiency checks of airline and general aviation pilots. The setting up of an independent Flight Inspection Directorate in the DGCA is in pursuance, *Inter alia*, of the recommendatuions of the Courts of Inquiry that have investigated air crashes in the past.

(c) The Government has approved the pay and allowances of pilots appointed as Flight Inspectors as per their entitlement in their parent organisation.

(d) The criteria for selection is that the pilot must be fully qualified on the type of aircraft on which he will carry out checks; he must be experienced on the type ; and he must have the necessary aptitude.

(e) and (f) . While the pilots are drawn mainly from the airlines, there is no need to confine the selection to the working staff of the airlines only.

Pilferage of power In Delhi

5484. SHRI PRATAPRAO B. BHONSLE: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether some officials of the Delhi Electric Supply Undertaking are alleged to have been involved in the pilferage of power; and

(b)if so, the details of action taken/proposed to be taken against them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b). Appropriate action, under the rules, would be taken by DESU